

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 696

By Baird

A RESOLUTION to recognize Robert Gregory York, 2000
Valedictorian of Jellico High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those persons who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Robert is one such exceptional student who recently was named valedictorian of the 2000 graduating class at Jellico High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and unyielding commitment of time and talent, Robert has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students of Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Robert has earned an exemplary 3.968 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his dedication to academic excellence, he is actively involved in numerous clubs and civic organizations; he has served with probity as the President of the Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) for two years and as Vice President for one year, as Reporter of the Student Council, President of Upward Bound and a member of the Student Government Association; and

WHEREAS, he is also a valued member of the Beta Club and Interact Club; and

WHEREAS, Robert has been honored for his academic prowess and exceptional character with countless awards and accolades, such as being included in *Who's Who Among American High School Students*, the recipient of the James Lickliter Memorial Award, and as an attendant at the HOBY Leadership Seminar; and

WHEREAS, his display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; he is the deserving recipient of the Presidential Scholarship from Lincoln Memorial University; and

WHEREAS, Robert's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his family, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, his dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2000 Jellico High School Valedictorian, Robert Gregory York, on his impressive academic achievement, and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.